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retrieving from said desired entity instance table specified by said desired entity type record said desired entity, wherein said desired entity comprises a record identified by said desired record identifier in said desired entity instance table.

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Please add new claims 100.

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--~~100~~<sup>8</sup>. (New) The relational database processing system of Claim ~~69~~<sup>1</sup>, wherein said entity definition table means further comprises:

a second entity type record containing a second entity type and specifying a second entity instance table associated with said second entity type; and

a third entity type record containing a third entity type and specifying said second entity instance table, thereby also associating said second entity instance table with said third entity type.--

#### REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the final designation under Rule 129(a). In the transmittal letter enclosed herewith, Applicant's Attorney has authorized the Commissioner to charge the appropriate fee under Rule 129(a). This application is a file-wrapper continuation of Application serial no. 07/526,424, that was filed May 21, 1990, which is more than two years prior to June 8, 1995, as required by Rule 129(a).

Claims 69-71 and 82-85 were pending in the application at the time of examination. Claims 69 and 82 are amended and Claim 100 is added by this amendment. Therefore, Claims 69-71, 82-85, and 100 are at issue. The amendments to Claim 69 and 82 as well as new Claim 100 are fully supported by at least pages 46-48 of the specification and Figures 5-7. Allowance of all pending claims is respectfully requested.

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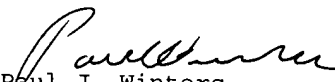
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None of the references cited by the Examiner uses multiple entity instance tables. Therefore, none of the references cited by the Examiner would require an entity definition table containing entity type records. Furthermore, none of the references cited by the Examiner would have separate entity instance tables having "a second entity instance table associated with said second entity type" and "also associating said second entity instance table with said third entity type", as recited by Claim 100.


#### Conclusion

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that Claims 69-71, 82-85, and 100 are in condition for allowance and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. If the Examiner contemplates action other than allowance of all the pending claims, the Examiner is requested to call Applicants' attorney below at (408) 453-9200.

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